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Dear [Redacted]

I very much appreciate having had an early opportunity to review the line of study being pursued by [Redacted] concerning the implications of DNA research for bacteriological warfare. I place a high priority on increasing our analysts' awareness of work being done by US experts in many fields, including strategic analysis and scientific research. The pronounced tendency by the academic community to treat genetic research results as proprietary information has made our contact with experts in this field particularly important, and I have forwarded [Redacted] study to the analysts seized with the biological warfare problem.

It is clear from the work of [Redacted] and others that the potential for calamitous developments in biological research and warfare looms as a profound threat to our national security. It is imperative that we try to understand and anticipate the possible shifts in foreign national (and subnational) policies, perspectives, and capabilities that could increase the risk of events such as [Redacted] has outlined. I am sure that the Center for Strategic and International Studies will make an important contribution to this effort.

Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence



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